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Bruni Proposes Community- Cooperative Indigent Health Care Plan

Webb County Judge Louis H. Bruni has designed and proposed a plan to address the burgeoning indigent health care demand that Webb County presently faces. Bruni presented his plan to representatives of 15 Laredo health care providers who met with Judge Bruni at an afternoon meeting held at the Webb County Administration building. In attendance were representatives from the Laredo Medical Center, Doctors Hospital, Gateway Community Health Center, Mercy Ministries, and the Laredo Medical Society.

“I am committed to meeting our indigent health care needs,” Judge Bruni stated. “Although the cost of such care exceeds the financial ability of any one entity, Webb County Indigent Health Care included, we must work together as a community in dealing with this crucial community problem. My plan is a step in that direction.”

The plan was enthusiastically received by all who attended the meeting.

(The substance of the plan is outlined in a letter circulated to all who attended the meeting. A copy of the letter is attached).

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